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1. FOLLOWING ARTICLE, DATELINED NEW YORK, ENTITLED
"PRESSURE BY CARTER LOOMS," APPEARED ON FRONT PAGE OF
FEBRUARY 19 EDITION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY, THE
STAR:

BEGIN TEXT.

PRESIDENT CARTER HAS SUMMONED THE CHIEF EXECUTIVES OF MORE
THAN 300 AMERICAN COMPANIES WITH SUBSIDIARIES AND IN-
VESTMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA TO A MEETING IN WASHINGTON.
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THE MEETING, COMPANY HEADS BELIEVE, WILL BE THE FIRST
STEP IN AN EFFORT BY THE NEW UNITED STATES ADMINI-
STRATION TO EXERT ECONOMIC PRESSURE ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN
GOVERNMENT TO CHANGE ITS RACE POLICY.

PRESIDENT CARTER HAS GIVEN NO SPECIFIC INDICATION OF WHAT
HE HAS IN MIND, BUT HIS CAMPAIGN SPEECHES AND RECENT

STATEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, CYRUS VANCE, INDICATE THE DIRECTION IN WHICH THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IS LIKELY TO MOVE.

DURING THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN, PRESIDENT CARTER SAID HE BELIEVED THAT SOUTH AFRICA WAS MORE VULNERABLE TO ECONOMIC PRESSURE FROM THE US THAN RHODESIA WAS TO THE SAME SORT OF PRESSURE FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

AND DURING HIS CONFIRMATION HEARINGS BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, MR VANCE SAID HE FELT US COMPANIES IN SOUTH AFRICA COULD HELP GIVE EXPRESSION TO US POLICY.

LETTERS SUMMONING THE COMPANY EXECUTIVES TO THE MEETING IN WASHINGTON ALSO ASKED FOR INFORMATION ABOUT EACH COMPANY'S INVESTMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA AND ITS EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR POLICIES.

SEVERAL OF THE COMPANIES HAVE FLOWN SENIOR LABOUR INVESTIGATORS AND CONSULTANTS TO SOUTH AFRICA TO UNDERTAKE FIRST-HAND RESEARCH IN PREPARATION FOR THE MEETING. JOHNSON

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